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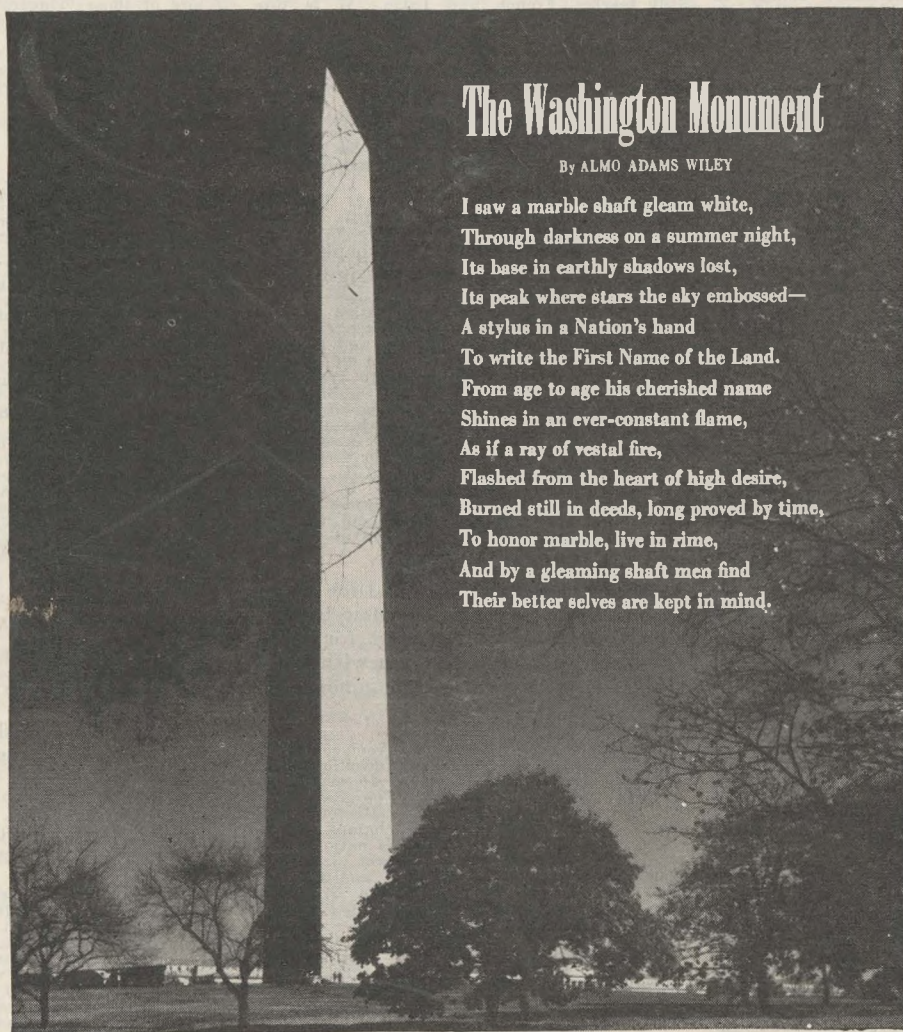
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The Washington Monument

By ALMO ADAMS WILEY

I saw a marble shaft gleam white,
Through darkness on a summer night,
Its base in earthly shadows lost,
Its peak where stars the sky embossed—
A stylus in a Nation's hand
To write the First Name of the Land.
From age to age his cherished name
Shines in an ever-constant flame,
As if a ray of vestal fire,
Flashed from the heart of high desire,
Burned still in deeds, long proved by time,
To honor marble, live in rime,
And by a gleaming shaft men find
Their better selves are kept in mind.

THE SPOTLIGHT

By J. Frederick Neagher

WHAT to write? Brilliant father of oralist frater Huffy: "If not so much Gallaudet guff, Spotlight would be de luxe." College pal: "More Gallaudet news—you heathen 'nons' never give credit to us great." Ira Todd, the burly underclass tyrant of my schooldays: "You're a bum Rochester-booster—you never write about your old school." (And HE never gave me a news item in his life.) MORAL: You can't please anybody, anyhow—so why try?

But here are three choice items in above order—"non," Gallaudet, Rochester:

HUSH, Hush! Don't tell your ration board. But at an annual Maryland state rabbit show, Bro. Herbert Hush owned 30 of the 300 bunnies entered; Hush won ten firsts and several runner-up ribbons.

83! Graduated from Gallaudet college in '83, aged 83 he died—probably richest deaf cattleman in America. Note double 83 above. Charles Griffin of Tonto Basin, Arizona—so Angel Watson writes me. Would soon celebrate his 57th wedding anniversary. But here's a scream; the country newspaper out there in the wild and woolly West, says: "He was a graduate of the Galla Duet School for the Deaf."

Sing a Duet, please.

ROCHESTER Advocate, on which I "learned the case," changes its old-fashioned cover form after 64 years. Strike me pink if the mag don't stress new educational experiments there—"NON-ORAL eye-span reading cards, and NON-ORAL projects in reading from Plymouth Press." The new headman—an Irishman named Galloway—went on the radio with a hard-of-hearing biggie. First supt. in ages to fearlessly speak up for non-oral truisms. There IS a God in Heaven!

IF you don't like any of above three items, you don't have to read 'em. But, durn it, pity me—I have to WRITE 'em.

SPOTLIGHT now starts a campaign to teach fraters one new word each month. Sort of home-study cultural educational course. Lesson No. 1: When a novice gets a swift swat on the seat of his pants, at smokers, never say he got hit on his (short word for donkey). Say he was whammed on his SACROILIAC.

MINN. claims "three former pupils in armed service." Any school beat that?

This is good! Seaman son of McNeill (chairman St. Paul '24 grand convention) met the grandson of St. Paul charter member Fred Brant, on battle-boat conveying 135 ships to Naples. Boat blasted by Jerries; McNeill got three shrapnel wounds. While all hell howled, and you couldn't hear a word shouted in your ear, the two descendants of us deaf fraters calmly cooperated to keep guns working by **TALKING ON THEIR HANDS!**

Newspapers voted "1943's greatest sports comeback" to Amos Alonzo Stagg—still coaching football at age 81. Stagg, good friend of us deaf, has a deaf cousin near Buffalo—Nellie Leshar Seeley.

RECORD? Seattle's Bodley quits after 17 years as treas.

DETROIT div. hasn't hit her stride—despite tremendous war work. Know the Revolution ended in 1783—yet the British held on to Detroit for over 12 more years? Redcoats got out in 1796. Are there any "fraternal Redcoats" now holding back our once-mighty division No. 2? That's the div. for which poor Art Hinch set a "world frat record" of 76 members in one year, back in 1929. . . . Cleveland springs catchy phrase, "contented cow divisions" too lazy to try and get more members. Is your div. a "contented cow," or—worse still—a "sleeping snail"?

HEADQUARTERS now making out annual reports for each state's insurance sharks—as required by law. Working nights. Instead of getting our war-work overtime pay, frat biggies get only "supper money" (and you can't find many juicy suppers in this darn town, buddy).

ARE you a Go-Getter? Or a Sit-Stiller? How many new members will you "quota" yourself for, this year? As the Bible says: "What thou doest, do quickly."

WHAT worries you most? Last year Chicago Tribune answered readers' letters thusly: boy-girl problems 1014; makeup 7529; stocks and bonds 9190; health 40,887. Ah, health and accident seem life's biggest problem; we deaf find SURE protection thru NFSD benefits when bad luck hits us.

GALLAUDET'S next annual catalog omits roll-call of grads, Pres. Hall says—paper shortage.

Dean Peet will NOT quit Gallaudet college. Still teaches French and Latin. W is pronounced "V" in French; V is pronounced "W" in Latin. I see now why my Latin teacher couldn't understand me when I tried to oralize Veni, Vidi, Vici Kid shoes. Cross-country running is Gallaudet's favorite sport, now. This column gave her undeserved razzing, when it was among first to drop football, back in 1937. Nearly all of Gallaudet's opponents have dropped football also, now—and so has mighty Harvard, Pres. Hall's own alma mammy.

OHHH, MYYY! "Expect 250,000 hearing casualties in this war."—Army. Gosh; quarter-million new prospects for you Curtis-Berch hustlers to sign-up!

Aircraft workers caused population of San Diego to grow 700%; shipbuilding caused a 350% growth in Norfolk; Seattle and Portland grew 300%. Hey, Bobs, how come we have no Norfolk div.? [Had No. 84 there from 1921 until it folded in 1925, account dwindling deaf population—ED.] . . . Rise in living-costs highest in Birmingham, 30%. Probably because skinny "One-arm" Nelson is trying to fatten up to robust Ritty's poundage. . . . Ever see an old fat man? Poor insurance risk. U. S. has 7 fat women for every fat man. In caveman days, fat women made best wives. Because when deep snow made hunting and trapping bad, caveman cut fat wife up and ate her all winter.

SPORTS. Our new bro—Dick Sipek, Birmingham outfielder—is now back in Jax school; he rejected offer for "good will tour" of South America with Dizzy Dean, etc. Our winter is summer down there.

BASKETBALL "skills tests" replace former sectional and National tournaments; deadline March 25. Two parts; team of six in 15 events, individual stars in 15 others. Pop Harlow of Mt. Airy is Santa Claus again. His oral marvels recently licked Phila. hi champs by one point in last second. . . . Who is national deaf football champ? Rough guess might pick Louisiana—won 7, lost 0, tied 1. Tex. and Ala. also good; Ala. licked Ga.—which had won some sort of title in its town. Downtrodden Ill. first deaf school to get game broadcast over radio?

WOE! Paper-shortage hits Iowa Hawkeye; now only one thin sheet (two pages).

C. E. Jones, principal Ala. Negro deaf, was long one of few deaf Masons. Now promoted to Shriner. Know any other deaf Shriners? . . . Md. Bjorlee: "A social order which discourages thrift and individual enterprise, thus encouraging the mediocre, is doomed to failure." . . . Editors of L.F. great guys; make few errors; must, comical one in long time is Ala. MESS-enger's. He must have read in Bible "the child is father to the man." Says Al Berg is "SON of Supt. Lloyd Berg of Iowa." Son Lloyd better give pop Al an old-fashioned pep-

permint candy-cane. For Al and Fanwood's Fox are only living survivors of Gallaudet's great first football team, 1882.

DEAF lady from Minn. christened Army Ship No. 50 at launching near Seattle.

F.B.I. man who could talk on hands, grabs deaf bank thief Geo. Faeth in Detroit. . . . Lip-reader Bob Carley featured in Jan. Coronet; won two "M" at Minn. U.—halfback and hokkey. . . . Los Angeles Herald-Express features Jean Powers, deaf dancer at Follies there. From our Wis. school. Dances nine professional types, including hula and tap, on resonant board stage. Is helpless on concrete floor. Follies' comedian, her husband Monkey Kirkland, does a special comedy pantomime act with her. . . . "You are comfortably wardrobe, housed and luxuried—so I send you something you really need for Xmas," wrote a beautiful senorita out West. And what do you think the delicious damsel sent me? Guess again! The slick chick sent me a BOOK! [Did you ever read a book?—Ed.]

ANS. to Brain Test:—Algebra is most useful study; without it we would have no means to calculate aviation, bridges, radio, buildings, insurance, etc. Algebra invented largely by Babylon and Egypt, thousands of years ago; greatly improved by Arabs in middle ages. Dean Peet's grandfather started teaching deaf in 1822 under Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, and there has been a Peet in the profession ever since—17 in all. (I'll never run another "Peet Quits Gallaudet" rumor in this column, so help me Hannah!) U Cal, back in 1884, used to fill its football team with "ringers" from nearby deaf school; Rugby: 15 men. (Hey, Bros. Supt. Stevenson and Byouk; can you find out if any of those "ringers" later became famous in the world? Was Tilden one?) Hinch's '29 record was followed by America's greatest depression; also by auto wreck in which Hinch was almost killed. Record stood until Curtis upped it in our last Drive.

WHO was bigger—Washington or Lincoln?

ABE 6:4; Geo. 6:3½. Geo. was backward pupil, in school. Red hair—like Jefferson, Jackson, Grant and Coolidge. When old, Geo. had trouble with poor-fitting false-teeth—which he made himself, of wood. (Is that why his jaw looks funny, in pictures?) In old age, became very deaf. Often had malaria—for which the common treatment, then, was quinine. (We now know Southerners are often born deaf because expectant mothers take quinine for malaria. So guess quinine caused his deafness.) Never popular with the ladies, Geo. had to marry a widow. (Many men became great because their sex-humiliations spurred them on to hard work; "genius is a matter of taking pains.") Lincoln was very unpopular with girls, too. Mary Owens, one of many girls who declined his proposal of marriage, said: "Mr. Lincoln was deficient in those little links which make up the path of woman's happiness." Ann Rutledge was the only girl who truly loved Abe—and she died quick. Lincoln's wife, Nellie Todd, went insane in Chicago after his death; was "confined in a mental sanatorium."

ACROSS what river did Geo. Wash. throw a silver dollar?

Rappanhannock, not the Potomac. IF he really threw one. There were no "silver dollars" before the Revolution. Or were there?

WHAT is your share of this year's government spending?

\$722.49.

WHO was gypped out of the presidency he won by a million miles?

TILDEN, N.Y. Democrat; had 184 electoral votes morning after 1876 election. Needed just ONE more vote to win. But five states were late in count—Ore., Cal., (Rep.) and S.C., Fla., La. (Dem.) If all five missing states voted Republican, Hayes would win by one vote. Carpet-baggers then bossed South. So TWO sets of "certified results" came from all states except Cal. Us Republicans were poor sportsmen. We packed the "election commission" with one more Rep. than Dem. And us Reps. "OK'd" the gyp reports. Bum sportsmanship!

KNOW your sports, pals? Alright; what sport provides its own hospital for personnel?

Caught yah that time, buddy. Bullfighting. New hospital now being built by bullfighting arena in Mexico City.

Hash a la Mode

Concocted by Old Frat

SEEING STARS

DR. OTTO STRUVE, director of Yerkes Observatory at Williams Bay suggests we "Look to the Stars" for inspiration and forgetfulness of the petty meannesses of life.

A Captain in the Czar's army in World War I, young Struve renewed his interest in astronomy on the battlefield at night and in so doing discovered a new star. Thereafter his rise to eminence and fame in the study of heavenly bodies was rapid.

I must admit a weakness for star-gazing. In the silent watches of the night, when sleep is an impossible attainment, the stars are faithful and constant companions. Yet my knowledge of astronomy is barely rudimentary. Star names are beyond me. If they were called Churchill and Roosevelt, Stalin and Eisenhower, or even "Honest Harold" Ickes and "Hungry Harry" Hopkins, they would feel a lot closer than they do. Instead they are called by such outlandish names as Aldebaran, Electra, Betelgeuse, Castor, and Pollux, and what not.

The easy going professor who tried to teach astronomy at Old Siwash did a dismal job of it in my case. Perhaps he wasn't much more interested in the subject than I was. His first inspection must have convinced him of the utter impossibility of making an astronomer out of me. Hence his daily rating of my accomplishments was always the same, away down below 60. They rated you by figures in those days, with 100 the summum bonum. You didn't have any IQ if you were below 60. That was too far down to obtain any quotient whatever. Your intelligence was simply nil.

Being thus relegated to the inconsequential, my inferiority complex in astronomy became colossal. Looking at a star, I simply ceased to know I existed. It was overwhelming, a sinking into the deepest limbo.

Some time after my encounter with the heavenly constellations, a friend of mine flunked his astronomy examination. He put off taking another until it was well along in May, or perhaps June, when the heat in Washington is generally enough to fry eggs on the pavements. The date of the second ordeal fell on a torrid day. My friend had "crammed" for days before and all the previous night and felt he could give a pretty good account of himself in the subject of astronomy.

Marching up to the professor's house in mid-forenoon when Old Sol was getting in his best licks, he was ushered into the dining room by the worthy professor himself.

"Let's see," said he. "Now, what was it you were to be examined in? Oh yes,

astronomy. H-m-m-m, it's a warm day. Why not write down all you know about the sun? Yes, that's it, the sun. Here are pencil and paper. Go ahead."

The professor departed to weed his garden and my friend, shedding his coat, buckled down to composing a masterpiece on the subject of the sun. He reeled off page after page, determined to strike the professor pink with the extent of his erudition.

Finally the professor returned. Taking the huge pile of written sheets my friend had accumulated in his absence, he dumped them into the wastebasket without looking at them.

"Perfect," said he. "You've passed. I'm giving you a mark of 100. I think you would like some refreshment on a warm day like this. So would I."

Going to the ice box, he brought out generous dishes of ice cream and the two of them fell at it with a will.

Somehow this episode, when related to me, considerably relieved my feeling of inferiority in the matter of astronomy. But to this day, I am as ignorant of the subject as always. The refrain of childhood is far more poignant now in later life than it was then:

"Twinkle, twinkle little star,
How I wonder what you are,
Up above the world so high
Like a diamond in the sky."

Seeing stars is easy. On March 15, there will be another collision between Mr. Morgenthau's grim mercenaries and the body politic. In comparison with the resulting galaxies of stars, the astral bodies of the cosmos will fade into utter insignificance.

WHAT HAS IT DONE?

CONCRETE evidence that the gift by the American deaf, through their National Association, of three Clubmobiles to the Red Cross is appreciated by our weary soldiers on the battlefields of Europe is given in a letter to Mrs. Oldfather of Wichita, Kansas, from her son Wally, a commissioned officer in the U. S. Air Corps stationed in Italy. The letters says in part:

MOTHER, your National Association of the Deaf has contributed to the Red Cross and it bought Clubmobiles with the money. They are station wagons which two girls drive around with coffee and doughnuts for soldiers. The other day, one came here and on the door was printed "FROM THE DEAF OF THE UNITED STATES THROUGH N.A.D." I got a thrill out of seeing that and after rubbing off the mud, took a picture of the car. If it will pass the censor I'll send you a print. I thought you and your friends might like to know YOUR car is here in Italy where it will do a lot of good spreading cheer and hot coffee to many tired soldiers and greeting thousands of pilots back from missions. I know I speak for a couple of thousand soldiers—both enlisted men and officers—when I say to you and your GRAND NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF: "THANKS SO MUCH."—Wally.

In the light of the foregoing, what

must one think of those who say the National Association of the Deaf has never done anything? These are the people who do not support the good work the Association may do with a paltry dollar a year from each.

What has the National Association of the Deaf done? I can answer, IT HAS DONE MUCH. In the 64 years of its existence, it has stood steadfastly for the educational rights, the industrial rights, and the social rights of the deaf the country over. It has never lost a battle for these rights. It has done it with little financial support and at very great personal sacrifice of time and money on the part of its leaders in the past.

The credo of the American deaf has always been self help and independence. Their organizations, state and national, have placed them as a class head and shoulders above the deaf of other countries (Canada excepted) who largely are dependent on outside bodies for direction and support of their activities.

I, for one, support the state and national bodies the deaf of America have created.

Things to Forget

IF YOU would increase your happiness and prolong life, forget your friends' faults. Forget the slander you have heard. Forget the temptations. Forget the fault-finding and give a little thought to the cause which provoked it. Forget the peculiarities of your associates, and remember only the good points which make you fond of them. Forget all personal quarrels or incidents which you may have heard of by accident, and which repeated, would seem a thousand times worse than they really are. Blot out of memory, as far as possible, all the disagreeable occurrences of life; they will come, but they will grow larger when you meditate on them, and the constant thought of the acts of meanness or, worse still, malice, will tend only to make you more familiar with them. Obliterate everything disagreeable from yesterday; start out with the clean sheet for today, and write upon it, for sweet memory's sake, only those things which are lovely and lovable. Thus you will increase your own happiness and the happiness of those around you.—*Masonic Quarterly.*



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FRANCIS P. GIBSON'S LAST MESSAGE:
"CARRY ON"

FEBRUARY, 1944

On the Deaf

BACK in 1901, a young, fair-haired chap fresh from the Blue Grass State matriculated as a Normal Fellow at Gallaudet College for the deaf in Washington, D.C. He was a product of Centre College in Kentucky, later the home of the Praying Colonels of football fame.

In due time, he became a teacher of the deaf in various State schools, winding up at Old Fanwood, then in New York City. There he remained for a number of years, in the meantime taking his doctorate degree at Columbia University.

His doctoral thesis was a work entitled "The Deaf," which was published in 1914. This book had a considerable sale, mostly among professional people engaged in the education of and work with the deaf.

The young Normal Fellow of that early day was Harry Best, or as the Gallaudet students used to say, "Best Harry." Today he is Dr. Harry Best, professor of sociology in the University of Kentucky, at Lexington, where he has taught for many years.

In addition to the early work above referred to, Dr. Best is also author of "Crime and the Criminal Law in the United States" and "Blindness and the Blind in the United States."

Recently, Dr. Best revised and enlarged his book on "The Deaf," and gave it a new title, "Deafness and the Deaf in the United States." It is a large volume of 675 pages, replete with tables and statistics on almost every conceivable activity in connection with the deaf.

The words with which the author dedicates his book to the deaf are well worth quoting:

TO THOSE BEARING A GRIEVOUS BURDEN AND THE MOST MISUNDERSTOOD AMONG THE SONS OF MEN BUT THE "GAM-EST" OF THEM ALL.

Having been a teacher of the deaf himself, Dr. Best fully understands the difficulties they encounter in life, and he champions their cause throughout his book.

He goes thoroughly into the causes of deafness and the possibilities of its prevention. The book shows an up-to-date knowledge of the general condition of the deaf at the present time, making it evident that Dr. Best has kept in close touch with their advancement. He is familiar with the various organizations maintained by the deaf. The chapters on education are well worth careful perusal by all teachers of the deaf and others interested in their education. Dr. Best is fair and impartial on all the known methods of educating the deaf, and these he discusses from first hand knowledge.

In preparing this new edition of his book, the author has had the advice and criticism of leading educators of the deaf and of others actively engaged in work among them, and also of eminent specialists in the field of medicine. In gathering much of his source material he has had access to the great libraries of this country, England, and Ireland.

"Deafness and the Deaf in the United States" is a handsome volume, beautifully printed and bound by the Macmillan Company of New York. It is indispensable to those engaged in work for the deaf, to the deaf themselves, and to all those interested in the brave struggle the American deaf have made and are making to maintain themselves as worthy citizens of our country.

In a work covering so much ground, unintentional errors may creep in. Dr. Best says that if any serious omissions or errors of any kind should be found in the book, he will very much appreciate being informed.

Dr. Best deserves the thanks of the deaf people of this country for the indefatigable and painstaking work he has performed in the effort to put the deaf before the general public in their true light.

"Deafness and the Deaf in the United States," By Dr. Harry Best. The Macmillan Company, New York, \$6.50.

Quality

AS this is written, only 54 applications have come in for February 1 entry. This is the inevitable slowup, following the holidays, when everybody is usually broke. This now, in spite of high wages. Ceilings on prices haven't been very effective, we notice, and high prices considerably offset high wages.

Somebody tells us this means inflation is under control. But when we look at a restaurant menu, we are

convinced the "control" is largely imaginary.

The place where the boys here, who are working nights on annual reports, eat their evening dinners has hiked prices 100%. If there is a ceiling over that dump, it must be the sky.

But getting back to new entrants, go after them with renewed vigor. Remember, steady plugging is better than a fancy spurt of activity along in November.

By then, Hitler and his minions may be sunk, unless they persuade the South Americans to give them refuge, where they may continue their intrigues.

With a return of peace, which may be a peace of a sort, recruiting may slow down considerably, due to changeovers in industry.

So the sooner you line up the prospects and get their signatures on dotted lines, the better it will be.

But in lining them up, scan carefully the record of the applicant who is unknown to you or others. We want only steady, honest, reliable novices who will develop into members creditable to the society, who will be able to uphold the fine traditions established by those who have gone before.

GO AFTER QUALITY, NOT QUANTITY.

Number, Please

IF YOU do not get your copy of THE FRAT on time, blame it on the editor, if you wish.

He controls train schedules and can tell the Government when to deliver or when to delay it.

If you do not receive your paper at all some months, again blame it on the editor, if you wish.

He can go around to the Post Office Department and bawl out the Postmaster General for hiring such monkey-duds as now infest the delivery system. Maybe that worthy can yank some of the boys off the European fronts especially to deliver your precious copy of THE FRAT.

Our chest swells up with justifiable pride when we get a scorching letter which opens with the well known words, "What's the matter with YOU?"

This shows our little paper is read and appreciated by our people.

But maybe you can help a little. First, by having your name in plain sight on your mail box. Second, by being sure your correct address with delivery zone number is on file at the Home Office.

If your delivery zone number is absent, the boys who sort and deliver the mail may conclude you are not anxious to receive your paper, and may chuck it aside until they get your number.

Perhaps these boys, being able to read and write with considerable difficulty, have to be guided by numbers, much as the Hessians had to have straw in one boot and hay in the other to tell their right foot from the left.

We are putting on delivery zone numbers as fast as possible, some being

obtained from directories of the larger cities. But you will save time by sending in your zone number, if you live in a large city using postal zones.

Don't shoot the editor. He is doing the best he can, in competition with Hitler and the German General Staff.

Win the Peace

THE Fourth War Loan Drive is in full swing as this is written, with communities all over the land busily filling their quotas.

The Grand Division has placed its order for \$100,000.00 in bonds of the Fourth Loan, making a total of \$450,000.00 for the four drives.

In addition, our Divisions have nearly \$50,000.00 in war bonds. For the society as a whole, we expect soon to go above the \$500,000.00 mark.

We are getting the enemy up against the wall now, and hope he will soon be finished with neatness and dispatch.

And let us hope we win the peace also. We didn't the last time.

A Sound System

TRULY American institution, the fraternal benefit society, has the sound and sensible system. The society functions as a democracy with representative form of government.

Before a member can vote he must have paid his dues, thereby demonstrating his faith and responsibility. He has a stake in the organization and is supposed to vote intelligently.

Notwithstanding the mouthings of some politicians, there is no superiority in being poor, and no virtue in being the recipient of public alms.

Fraternal benefit societies are organized and operate to promote family responsibility and civic integrity. Financial ability is the first requisite. The societies and their works are considered helpful to mankind.

The politicians of Ancient Rome brought in hordes of people, gave them "relief" and circuses and voted them. They destroyed their civilization. The same issue is before the United States of America.—*The Fraternal Age*.

Two Fronts

THIS news about Lieut. Tom Ennis, of Alexandria, Va., Aerie, gave us such a lift that we pass it along to you. Tom was soldiering in Sicily when he sent this message to his father: "I would like to do something for the Aerie, but as I cannot bring in any members, I want you to purchase from my account a \$25 War Bond and present it to the member who brings in the most applications during the month." That is what we call campaigning on two fronts.—*Eagle Magazine*.

Observations

By MILES SWEENEY

UNTIL recent years, there has been little publicizing of the deaf in the hearing press. One looks in vain for regular news of the deaf in any of the big dailies, and this condition is the same everywhere in the United States. The pioneer in the field is the *Trenton Evening Times*. Its "News of the Deaf" column is a regular weekly feature and has been so for the past four years. The value of publicity cannot be too strongly emphasized. Without it, everything is left to the imagination, and often people gain wrong impressions about the deaf.

Alexander Graham Bell never lost his interest in the deaf and until his death in 1922 kept exerting his tremendous influence in behalf of speech training for the deaf. Soon the schools began to drop the word "dumb" from their titles. They were no longer "schools for the deaf and dumb." Bell was a Rightist in the education field. He had preferences but no exclusions; he merely wanted every deaf pupil to have the opportunity to learn to talk. His successors have gone to extravagant lengths.

A few years ago, when unemployment was rife, the New Jersey deaf were among the worst sufferers. They clamored for a labor bureau under the State. Some of the cooler and more far-seeing leaders among them, who frowned on bureaucracy, advised against it. A bill was actually prepared in the Legislature and only the advent of the war prevented it from becoming law. They had to make the choice between two evils—the nuisance of State intercession, and the woes of being out of work. A proud and self-respecting minority, they couldn't understand why, in this glorious America, where equal opportunity is a shibboleth, they should be left out in the cold. Let it be hoped this will not happen again.

It seems certain that after the war there will be changes. Minority rights are going to be respected. In the light of present experience with the deaf, employers are expected to become more open-minded as to hiring them in the future. Much remains to be done in regard to education, which should be in keeping with that in the public schools for the hearing. A back to normalcy movement as to methods of instruction may well get under way.

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1944 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

During the year 1944 the campaign to get new members based on quotas allotted Divisions will be continued.

Big Cash Prizes
are offered individual contestants in the 1944 free-for-all. The Home Office will pay

Ten Dollars for Each Block of Five
new members obtained, beginning with applicants in December, 1943.

Same Quotas
Division quotas will remain the same, as shown in another column. We believe all Divisions can equal or exceed their quotas in 1944, due to prosperous times.

A contestant who obtains five new members will receive not only

Ten Dollars
from the Home Office, but also will be awarded the \$1.00 endorser's fee by his Division for each new member, giving him

Fifteen Dollars for Each Block of Five
In 1943 we distributed \$1,500 in cash prizes. If you want to win a prize in 1944, then

Go To It
We obtained 1242 dues-paying members in 1943. Let's start now to beat this all-time record.

News from the



Divisions

FEBRUARY

3. Aux-frat valentine social.....	Baltimore
4. Valentine social.....	Trenton
4. Smoker.....	Little Rock
5. Frat frolic.....	Philadelphia
5. Aux-frat social.....	Kalamazoo
5. Smoker.....	Pittsburgh
5. Movies.....	Buffalo
5. Military whist.....	Providence
5. Box social.....	Delevan
5. Valentine social.....	New Haven
5. Social.....	Syracuse
5. Winter social.....	Akron
5. Social.....	Denver
5. Victory dance.....	Richmond
5. Party.....	Des Moines
12. After meeting social.....	Cincinnati
12. Mask ball.....	Chicago No. 1
12. Valentine social.....	Dayton
12. Annual ball.....	Brooklyn
12. Mask ball.....	St. Louis
12. Social.....	Grand Rapids
12. St. Valentine social.....	Toronto
12. Valentine party.....	Cedar Rapids
12. Valentine social.....	Waterbury
13. Bingo party.....	Reading
19. Washington party.....	Wichita
19. Washington dance.....	St. Paul—Minneapolis
19. Valentine social.....	Washington
19. Fraux carnival.....	Seattle
19. Valentine social.....	Cleveland
19. Social.....	Canton
19. St. Valentine party.....	Kitchener
19. Smoker.....	Indianapolis
19. Party.....	Kansas City
19. Carnival.....	Vancouver
26. Dance.....	Los Angeles
26. Dance.....	Rockford

MARCH

4. Lecture.....	Buffalo
4. Social.....	Rochester
5. Movie social.....	Flint
11. Bowling party.....	Kitchener
11. Social.....	Grand Rapids
13. St. Patrick party.....	Reading
18. Anniversary.....	Dayton
18. Basketball tournament.....	Manhattan
19. St. Patrick party.....	Spokane
25. St. Patrick frolic.....	St. Paul—Minneapolis
25. Card party.....	Bronx

APRIL

1. Frolic.....	Reading
2. Smoker.....	Reading
8. Annual monster whist.....	Berkeley-Oakland
29. Smoker.....	Faribault

RICHMOND (By L. R. Wickline)—Even though it was snowing, there was a good attendance at our Ladies' Night Social. Needless to say, a good time was had by all.

Next on our program is our Victory Dance scheduled for Feb. 5. Chairman Carlisle Scott and his committee promise a big time. Dancing, a floor show, and a War Bond rally will be the main attractions. The affair will be held at 804 E. Broad St. (upstairs), commencing at 8:30 o'clock sharp.

SEATTLE (By Carl Spencer)—Despite heavy rain, our New Year's party, steered by Chairman Eckman, was a fine success. Financial returns were good, and we may invest it in another \$100.00 War Bond.

New officers were installed at our January meeting. Ex-President Charles Lawrence of Vancouver Division assisted our President Bradbury in the ceremony.

Roy Tuggle of Montana was a visitor at the 1444 meeting, his first since he joined several

years ago. He gave us a brief account of his trip to the Chicago convention.

WORCESTER (By Bart Burns) — There were about 222 persons attending our Victory Dance on Nov. 20 at Red Men's Hall. Prizes were awarded in several events. Salvatore Di Natale was in charge, assisted by Bros. Leverett Blanchard, James Healy, Yacoub Chavoor and Fred Jarvais. A good profit was made, which went into our social fund.

At our Christmas party on Dec. 4 there was an attendance of about 75. Games and dances were indulged in. Bros. Di Natale and Blanchard were in charge.

NEW HAVEN (By Alfred Stevenson)—As a result of the election of new officers, the division has a new secretary. He is Alfred Stevenson, and his address is General Delivery, Saybrook, Conn. Treasurer Skeper was re-elected.

We are planning on holding a 35th anniversary banquet some time in the spring. We will give full particulars when plans have definitely been made.

WASHINGTON (By Larry Ward)—Big doings are in store for the Washington division this year if propositions adopted at the January meeting are to be carried out. One of the propositions refer to the enlargement of the program committee from three to ten members, which will have charge of all the socials to be staged, including the annual October dance and possibly the New Year's Eve dance if the committee sees fit to give it. Tom Looney, an old hand at the game, is chairman of the committee, and although no plans have been made he says the Mayflower Hotel will be the likely spot for our Ninth Annual Dance. At present he is busily directing his crew in preparing a February party at the Masonic Temple, Northeast Branch, Saturday evening, Feb. 19. The party will be a mixture of Valentine, Lincoln, Washington and Leap Year affair which ought to be entertaining to everybody young and old.

The members of this division are watching with interest the progress of the 1944 Membership Derby. Our up and coming young man, Gunnar Rath, is fighting tooth and nail to gain a contending position in the drive for new members. He is out gunning for them and every Washington man is behind him. And that includes the champ, Ivan Curtis, who is seriously thinking of making this town his permanent home. We hope he stays. Gunnar might need his counsel.

JERSEY CITY (By Louis Alfonso)—Thus far we have gotten off to a good start. Bros. Dixon and Orlando both brought in a new member. The slogan "A good start means a good end" should be applicable here. There are 60 members in No. 91, and it is inconceivable that eight more members, enough to complete the allocation, cannot be brought within our fold in the next 11 months. Last year's leader got this year's Presidency without opposition. Who is he? Francis X. Nicholas!

Here's a tip and a half. Our perennial and famous annual ball will not be held in the Spring as the custom heretofore in recent years. We've decided to pick October as the most likely month, and so it will be. There has been a marked increase at each succeeding ball which is why we take the liberty to talk this early. The chairman has been selected. We will tell who he is later on.

WATERBURY (By S. E. Minicucci)—Well, folks, Committeemen Erocliani and Bellmay will take you to the Valentine Social and fill you up with heart sparkling enjoyment. Just 25c for admission. Come up to Mechanic's Hall, 11 East Main St., on Feb. 12 at 8 p.m.

At the December meeting, though, there was a small attendance due to absence of those working nights, the election of officers for 1944 was well managed, including the election of a new Treasurer, Edward Bellmay, whose address is 2083 South Main St. Secretary Saverio Minicucci's is 48 Wood St., Waterbury, Conn.

Our membership was increased by three members in 1943. We look forward to a more prosperous year, and also to getting more members.

We have recently moved to Mechanic's Hall, 11 East Main St. It is easily reached by going upstairs from Liggett's Drug Store. This is really convenient for meetings and socials.

Our sad loss is Charter member Philip Cossette who died on Dec. 13. In mourning of him, at the meeting, we stood up silent for a few minutes. Our sympathy goes to his wife, Mary Cossette, and her children.

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS (By H. von Hippel)—Our Aux-Frats announced that they plan on holding card parties on the 3rd Saturday of each month (Winter season) instead of after the men's meetings as hitherto, owing to the late conclusions of the meetings. If the plan is successful they will probably schedule socials hereafter.

Marvin Kuhlman was appointed chairman of the Washington Dance and he in turn appointed some hustlers to help him. He promises to endeavor to provide the maximum amount of amusement for all. As it will be his first experience as chairman, let's lend him a hand and put it over the top so we will be able to help back the attack and buy some more bonds.

Wilbert Birr ought to be recommended for some kind of medal. In charge of the New Year Eve's Dance he boosted his own old record to a new all-time high in the proceeds in the history of the division. Not only that, he devised some new ways of giving out prizes and a good part of the profits was realized from that source. The attendance was surprisingly large and all reported a good time. Among visitors from distant cities were Linus Francini and Vincent Caverllo, both of Chicago No. 1, who joined us in the merry-making. The writer regrets that he lost the names of other visitors.

Now that the first half of the bowling season is over, the division was well pleased with the showing our teams put on. The Minneapolis team rode the crest until the few last games before the closing of the first half and slipped to second place in the first class league. The St. Paul team climbed from the bottom to third place despite tough competition.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (By Isadore Zisman)—Our movie social after our January meeting was fully enjoyed by a crowd of 60. Bro. Osmola was in charge of the event at which time he showed his private collection of the latest war films. Refreshments were then served.

Bro. Rogers will be in charge of the social after our Feb. 12 meeting.

A welcome visitor at our January meeting was Hyman Kalish, a member of Westchester Division No. 114.

BIRMINGHAM (By Herman Harper)—With new determination for a better Frat year, the newly installed officers handled the first 1944 meeting creditably. It was like a happy family gathering. Every Frat residing in the

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city has a job (12 of them are printers making good wages). The printers were given an increase in wages, getting back pay ranging from \$35 to \$225, and one week paid vacation, including the belated 1943 one. Our unanimous chorus: "Wishing the N.F.S.D. could hold yearly conventions."

Good smokes were enjoyed by the members at the January meeting with our Vice President Letson's compliments. Bet you know why? Of course, a fine 7-pound boy.

Our own "N.F.S.D." City "Y" league basketball team, sponsored by our division and under our Ritty's coaching, is being whipped rapidly into playing shape. The team will bear close watching and will soon start climbing into the winning column. By the time this is read they will have played a game, Jan. 29, with the State School for the Deaf team which has several crack players who are Frats.

Remember our 25th anniversary celebration on Labor Day, 1944.

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BERKELEY-OAKLAND (By Lester Naftaly)—Hello, everybody! The old writer is back after being away from duties for a year. If any of you Berkoak members want me to work to obtain new members for our division, show me your cooperation and give me the names of prospects. Make it the best ever this year.

Starting the first Saturday of March and thereafter, the future Frat meetings will be held at New Eastbay Club for the Deaf on 22nd and Grove Streets, Oakland. The place is a fine piece of property with good transportation, and about the only one in the United States that was actually bought by a club for the deaf. Our division is very fortunate to have its future meeting and socials in the huge and magnificent ballroom.

Anthony Yovino and his committee will direct an Annual Monster Whist on April 8, and the plans for a good program will be duly announced.

Also watch for the date for a Spring Dance in connection with our 24th Anniversary. Our Auxiliary Frats will manage this great dance.

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CHICAGO NO. 1 (By J. B. Davis)—Last call for the Feb. 12 annual ball. Step up, ladies and gents, for this stupendous, gigantic extravaganza. For \$1.10 you can see a 1½-hour floor show composed of 21 appearances by several top-notch show performers in Chicago. Come and help break the No. 1 attendance record of 947. Remember the place is Skyline Athletic Club, Randolph and Wells Sts., Chicago.

The 1944 officers, with the exception of Pres. Keasal, detained by overtime work, were publicly sworn in at the Jan. 7 meeting. Speeches by officers and Grand Officers Roberts and Cherry highlighted the evening. Speeches were mostly connected with the success of the Allies, the recent membership drive and unity in the NFSD ranks as compared with unity of the Allies. Inductions of new members show no sign of abatement. Five new members were voted in at the meeting. Starting the 43d year of No. 1's existence the future gives promise of even greater expansion and economic security. So far \$1,800 has been invested in war bonds, a sound investment indeed, with more purchases in sight.

In eight more years NFSD and No. 1 will be 50 years old. Incredible but true. And this society established, and managed solely by the deaf has weathered two world wars now boasts nearly 10,000 members. The 1951 Chicago Convention Committee has met twice to set the machinery in motion for raising funds for the Golden Jubilee Celebration. The committee will conduct its first social on June 3. The committee has no desire to steal away the spotlight from the Los Angeles 1947 Convention. We hope the entire membership will not forget that the 1951 committee is on the 8-ball and that we all wish the 1947 com-

1944 Membership Campaign

Name	Division	New Members
Lester Naftaly	Berkeley-Oakland	9
Abe Saslaw	Cleveland	9
Gunnar Rath	Washington	7
James Forbes	Pittsburgh	6
Carl Spencer	Seattle	5

mittee best wishes and success in their convention work.

John Tubergen, the recent benedict, was transferred from No. 1 to the Grand Division. Don't forget to visit us from time to time, Tubby!

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NEWARK (By O. W. McInturff)—Officers elected in December were installed at the January meeting. Newark Division is now all set for the New Year. We are fortunate to continue holding our meetings on the second floor of 199 Halsey Street. It was through the efforts of Albert Balmuth that negotiations were made for use of the new hall, and the division moved there from the old quarters in Williams Street. The new place has convenience of location, being only one and one-half blocks from Broad and Market Streets, thus making it easily accessible from all points of the city and environs. It is two blocks from the Central R. R. of N. J. station and about five blocks from the Pennsylvania R. R. station. Thus our brothers of other divisions all along the line from New York to Philadelphia can stop in to see us, and welcome.

Ben Kahn, who is a specialist in managing successful card-literary parties, announces something new for some time in March or April. Details as to time and place will be given at next meeting. We are looking forward to his next venture because, judging from past experience, we think we are in for a jolly good time.

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COLUMBUS (By J. E. Pershing)—A watch-night social held at the Goodale I.O.O.F. Temple, solely for the benefit of the Columbus Division, Friday evening, December 31, was a success. There were about 125 persons present. Chairman John Riddlebaugh placed a large piece of canvas along on the side of a wall bearing the following words: WISHING YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR, which drew attention and then he announced that though he was satisfied with such a large crowd he was very sorry that there were no various refreshments which he had been trying to get for the occasion, owing to rationing restrictions; only delicate doughnuts and good coffee were served. Later moving pictures were shown, the name of the play being "Courtship, Eloquence and Marriage," much to the amusement of those in attendance.

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BOSTON (By Leon Auerbach)—No. 35 started the year off with a bang by bringing in two new members during the month of January, thus bringing this year's total up to five. Bros. Amico, Convey, and Cozzo are the "go-getters" on whom we are relying for placing Boston among the leaders in the membership drive for 1944.

With President Allegaert at the helm of the social committee, we are promised a number of outstanding socials during the coming year. A motion picture show, composed of films wholly relating to the deaf, is tentatively scheduled for the month of either March or April. It will probably be held immediately after the regular meeting.

Members of the local divisions are reminded that meetings are to be held on the second Saturday of each month instead of the first throughout the year. Pres. Allegaert wishes

it known that meetings are to start promptly at seven-thirty so that they will be over at an early hour, thus enabling us to have a short social hour together.

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TORONTO (By J. F. Gotthelf)—Our January meeting was high-lighted by introduction of another good batch of applications, as in the past year. Charles White of Winnipeg sent in a number from the west, while Charles McLaughlin of Toronto turned in applications from the east. Ernest Maitre of Windsor sent in two, and hopes to do better soon.

After our business session a large number of ladies entered our room to watch the installation of officers; afterwards the good ladies of Toronto learned with interest of the details of the growing movement of aux-frats in the States, as disclosed in a letter from Grand President Roberts, and a young matron took the floor to discuss the matter of getting enough ladies to help establish an auxiliary for Toronto. We hope her efforts will be successful.

Grand Vice-President Peikoff gave an inspirational talk on the Canadian membership and the desirability of having a Toronto auxiliary. President Morrison spoke *con amore* in connection with his office. Treasurer Buchan complimented the ladies for seeing to it that their husbands paid their dues. Guy Lively, chairman of the board of trustees, reminded the ladies that this is Leap Year and that if any of them should be turned down matrimonially they had a right to demand a new fur coat from the offending male as compensation. 'S a fact, quoth the quondam Haligonian.

The name of Fred Terrell was inadvertently omitted from the list of degree team members at our initiation and smoker as given in the January FRAT. Our humble apologies are tendered to Brother Terrell, who was indeed very active that night.

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MANHATTAN (By David A. Davidowitz)—In this teeming city of ten million at night, with divisions all round, ready to grapple up any stray deaf youth, your 87'ers go along their way taking the newcomers as they apply for membership. It appears that the division is out for brains instead of quantity, says Bro. Lubin—well, "brudder" he's got something thar. With the National Basketball Tournament drawing closer, it appears as if our brothers from the following cities will be in the running for the title: Trenton, N. J., Buffalo, Hartford, Pittsburgh, and one of the New York teams. Philadelphia wants to be represented, and with one too many in the above group, the basketball committee will have to weigh the respective records, before deciding which four teams will come together.

The National Tournament that Art Kruger, the smiling Irishman, now in Ohio, started is about to expand into a two-day meeting. From the way teams write to enter, it is a sure thing that such a Basketball Carnival will come about as soon as the war is over. . . . So boys, buy that bond now, and we'll have the tournament soon.

Sports is a wonderful medium for travel, and ye writer hopes that teams that wish to play in tournaments, should weigh the costs before demanding major league salaries. Man-

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hatterners are out to make sports their forte, so other divisions better watch our smoke in the Metropolitan area . . . how? oh, wait, Suzy!

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CLEVELAND (By Phil Hanover)—A hat-passing collection was made during the January meeting to contribute toward Cleveland's "Heroes' Homecoming Fund." Sponsored by the Cleveland Press, it started as a fund to furnish returning soldiers who convalesce at the new Crile General Hospital, with radios and other small comforts. The response of Clevelanders was so heavy and spontaneous that it grew into a large scale welcoming fund for our heroes. The No. 21 Division proposed to take out \$25 from local funds, supplementing the amount by hat collection. It was thought that the hat would go in one round. Not so with us, it made five rounds and the sum came up to a tidy \$25, making the total \$50. Such open-heartedness is only a duplicate of city-wide generosity for which Cleveland is famous.

Bros. Pecek's and Grimm's faces were all lit up with smiles at a recent social gathering. It is because their fairy godmother, Lincoln Electric Co., had given them very large bonuses for Christmas. Who would not be very happy on the reciprocity of six digits? Lincoln Electric Co. is an early advocate of sharing profits on "incentive basis" and was recently in dispute with Uncle Sam over such right. Good luck, brothers, now you can start painting rosy pictures of postwar plans.

Bro. Saslaw, deputy, brought in four new faces at the meeting. Being duly sworn in, they are Bros. Dick Connell, optician associate, Nick Wolanski, assembler, William Campbell, punch press operator, and Robert Morris, dental technician. These new members make a neat little package for the month, and it is hoped Bro. Saslaw will bring in more packages for No. 21 subsequently. Is that too much talk? Well, wanna make a bet?

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WESTCHESTER (By R. W. Bowdren)—Bravo! Our hats off to Pres. Giordano on his ascendancy to the Chair. His few words to the members hit the core. Simply must repeat them. "Brothers, I'm still a bit breathless, almost speechless on being honored to serve you at the helm of this Division during 1944. That I will do my utmost to make this year as successful a year as my predecessor's goes without saying. Brothers, we are still standing on tip-toe on the threshold of the New Year! Wondering, hopeful, expectant, perhaps a bit apprehensive, for the year is still so very new, so untried. What does it hold for us? What does it hold? Why, brothers, it holds opportunities galore—the fields are overflowing with prospective members, the reputation of No. 114 for its hospitality and its ever-striving effort to please at its monthly affairs has become a By-Word in the Metropolitan Fraternal circles. Keep up the good work. Bear in mind at all times "W. A. E." See Treasurer Lynch about your dues and report sick claims to Secretary Rawlston and back Chairman Boyan in all his entertainment ventures. All I ask is harmony and your full cooperation and 1944 will see No. 114 purchasing more bonds which will help many of your sons in the service and at the same time enable us to salt away something to ward off the postwar inflation. Brothers, I wish to thank you all for this opportunity of serving you and all I ask of you is a willing hand in all things for the good of No. 114!"

That No. 114 intends to make 1944 an outstanding year was very evident by the members, eagerness to work on committees appointed by the President.

Vice-President Radlein and our charming "Auxies" have a big surprise in store for us at the February meeting—so come around, brothers, and see for yourselves just what it is. Something delicious, I think.

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DANVILLE (By C. A. Thomas)—That New Year's party we had at The Mayfair after our meeting Jan. 1 will be something we here will always remember. It was a swell party. Congratulations are due Chairman Alfred Marshall and his efficient committee. Bro. Higgins put on a swell floor show. There was plenty of everything from horn tootin' to eating hamburgers and dancing. If you ever have anything to sell, call on Bro. "Auck" Royster. He auctioned everything we had to

offer at a sweet price during the party. The committee had to stop him from auctioning off the house. He could have sold it if we had not interfered with him. Edgar Hay of Cincinnati, was down, so were Bros. Harris, Middleton and Hutcheson from Louisville, and Bro. Chesnut of Dayton. Bro. Balasa and his wife had charge of the sandwich stand. She's a good cook, so those at the party were well satisfied.

Daniel R. Middleton of Louisville Division No. 4 is now employed at the Kentucky School for the Deaf as Sloyd Instructor. We here are glad to have old "Dan" back among our tribe.

Our next big social attraction will be a St. Valentine Party sometime in February. The date will be announced later.

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UTICA (By J. A. Kofman)—Our congrats go to Bro. Shippey for his magnificent efforts in directing the New Year's Party held on night of Jan 1 at Hotel Utica, where slightly more than 150 persons thronged into the ballroom. Nearly half of the joy-seekers were from other points in the Empire State, and numerous ones from out of the state. The entertainment rolled in excellent fashion.

The non-resident members will please contact with the Secretary and Treasurer at all times, for in recent months dues were not paid on time and new addresses were not reported immediately. Be sure to keep in touch with them and avoid any possible delay.

Some additional bonds were voted to be purchased at the previous meeting, thus giving us an amount of \$3,000. Nice going, brothers; we are still on the warpath, and let's keep going.

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BROOKLYN (By Al. Fleischman)—Calling All Fraters! Calling All Entertainment Lovers! The nite of nites is coming to town—our 35th Annual Ball and Entertainment. An evening you'll never forget! Chairman Frank Fischer, hard-working Ball crusader, assures you of an all-time treat—a gala and glorious war-time ball. Place, Manhattan Center, 34th Street and 8th Avenue, New York City. Date, Feb. 12, 1944. The program, delightful with a huge swing and jazz orchestra and a 4-star floor show with top professional entertainers down from the Great White Way (Broadway), will insure top hilarity and enjoyment. Plenty of \$ \$ \$ will be distributed to lucky winners of the dancing contest. So, dear readers, mark your memo books or paste it in your hats that it is a date for Feb. 12. Trumpet the news around, pull your hometown folks along, meet the gang at the Grand Ball and make your Abraham Lincoln's Birthday weekend one of a million and the time of your life.

Sports Corner: Westchester Frat bowlers, under the coaching of Joseph J. Boyan, walked off with an easy victory over the Brooklyn Fraters at a series of games on December 19. The Brooklynites, under the management of Al. Fleischman, who was absent due to a siege of the "flu," must have had "alley-fright" during the contest. Bro. Boyan starred for the upstaters, while Bro. Halpert sported his cannon-ball shots, but in vain. A return game is scheduled to take place soon.

The division approved and extended its best wishes to accompany the following transfers: Bro. Honing to Chicago No. 1, Bro. Bayarsky to Westchester No. 114 and Bro. Grossman to Los Angeles No. 27. And speaking of Bro. Grossman, the latter was recently reported having his leg amputated at a Los Angeles Hospital. The division voted a sum of \$25 to be presented as a donation to the fund already started by the Los Angeles fraters to purchase an artificial limb when Bro. Grossman is able to move around.

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BALTIMORE (By A. A. Hajna)—The Eighth Annual New Year's Eve Dance was a tremendous success, both financially and socially speaking. The newest ideas of show were utilized to the fullest extent: Mock Dance Contest, "Lucky Spot" Dancing, and a real Dance Contest with Floor Show by Deaf talent, a total of six acts. An orchestra was impossible to obtain, so we all danced to the music of "Swing Juke," a juke box operated with powerful amplifiers. Everybody enjoyed themselves, celebrating the New Year until the wee' sma' hours of the morning.

At the January meeting, the division approved the program for 1944 tendered by the

1944 Board of Directors. The first affair of the year will be a "Membership Drive Rally" under the chairmanship of Deputy Organizer Leitner and his committee. The location of the event will be announced at the February meeting. Big plans for the 30th anniversary of the founding of our lodge are being formulated. A big banquet under the guidance of Bro. McCall (Chairman) and his two assistants, Bros Wuide and Kauffman. More details in the next issue. Our annual stage play will be held on May 20, under the chairmanship of our melodramatic Bro. Wriede. Other socials and dates of same will be announced next month. Paste this series of events in your hat, lest you be lonesome, not knowing where to go when dressed up!

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CINCINNATI (By Ray Grayson)—At the December meeting new officers were elected with just a sufficient sprinkling of experienced officers being re-elected to prevent the newcomers from stumbling over their own feet. Hilbert Duning is the new president, Ray Grayson, the secretary, Larry Vogelpohl, vice president, and Arthur Wenner, treasurer, were the re-elected officers.

During October the stork was kept so busy down this way that by the end of the month he was so tucked out he had to thumb his way home, for there were no less than four babies delivered to Frat brothers during that month. Leroy Duning, Avery Hubbard and James Judge were the proud pappies of boys, while Robert Wynn welcomed a daughter.

Division No. 10 voted at the January meeting to continue the after-meeting socials which proved popular the past year. The February meeting will be under the chairmanship of Sam Taylor, the incomparable. He promises plenty of 6% beer for the thirsty. Chairmen for each monthly social will be drawn by lot.

Cincinnati members approved at the January meeting the purchase of an additional \$600 worth of War Bonds, which will make our total \$1,000.

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DALLAS (By Troy E. Hill)—Dallas Division started off the 1944 season with 31 members present at the regular meeting January 8, when the new officers were installed. Prospects are bright that by another month a more convenient meeting place will be had, and a regular club room for the Dallas Frats and their families will be open.

Bros. Wayne Gough and Lester Tomlinson took unto themselves new wives on the 31st of January, Bro. Gough having gone down to Houston, where he married Miss Bonnie Williams, and Bro. Tomlinson marrying Miss Ethelbert Tidwell.

Members of Dallas Division have two bowling teams and a basketball team competing in city leagues at present writing.

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LOWELL (By C. C. McCord)—At the January meeting of the division, it was voted to hold a get-together friendly social on Satur-

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day, May 20, at the well-known Roof Garden of the Rex Restaurant, East Merrimack Street, one block from the Merrimack Square, where all the local busses meet together to pick up the homeward bound shoppers and workers. The social will be in the form of a banquet with a menu consisting of a hot baked pie, vegetables and dessert. A program of entertainment and social hour would follow. Our President Joseph Dubinski will be the Honorary Chairman, with McMahon, McCord and H. Bookspan to be his assistants. Fix the date of May 20 in your minds, readers of the New England district.

The division will hold its meeting on Saturday evening, Feb. 12, at the Trades Labor Union Hall, 18 Prescott Street, Lowell, starting at 6:30 p.m., and after the meeting J. Dubinski will take charge of the whist and social. Suitable prizes will be awarded to the lucky winners.

The Lawrence Silent Social Club, which was formed a few years ago, is progressing well enough to make its name known in New England because its purpose is to promote the welfare and friendship of the members. The reason of the writer for writing about this club was that almost 100% of the total membership are members of Lowell Division with two or three non-members ready to join the society.

We are still looking for a good crop of deaf prospects from the Nashua and Manchester districts to join the division. Enough to pass the 1944 quota of the membership drive."

SAN FRANCISCO (By F. J. Roberts)—The annual Xmas affair on December 11 was a huge success. Thanks to our Auxiliary for the wonderful time. Nearly 100 were present. The food was served in buffet style, but more like a banquet to many. After dinner talks were enjoyed. Passing out gifts by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus was the high light of the evening and a fair exchange had the satisfaction of all.

Our new ship "N.F.S.D. SAN FRANCISCO DIV. NO. 53" was also launched. Aux. Pres. Mrs. F. Dentici had the honor of breaking the imitated bottle of champagne over the bow as she slid down. Retiring Pres. E. C. Norton took the pleasure of introducing the new crew for 1944. Captain D. Glidden will take over the wheel as President. His first mate, V. Lindgren, will share the responsibility in case our captain gets sea-sick. All ships must have a log or records of every movement. This writer will take over as Secretary. The ship's safe and combination will be handled by E. C. Norton. The prevention of graft off and aboard our ship will be protected by three watchful men, namely Senior Trustee F. Buenzle, Second Trustee A. Doerfert and Third Trustee A. Kleinfeldt. Director Boam's duty will have everything ship-shape before we sail from port. Sergeant-at-Arms H. Canaris will see that no smuggling goes on and that all members of this ship arrive on time before sailing each month, which is on the first Saturday. May this crew steer and guide No. 53 triumphantly through smooth waves and safely lead us home to port throughout 1944.

With the new insurance rates and increased sickness and accident benefits a lot of brothers have turned live wires. We have a list of prospective members already to be signed up. Brothers, remember for every block of five the home office guarantees to pay \$10.00. So let's get busy and double our membership quota for 1944. Your deputy organizer will

help you in every way to give out the desired information and facts regarding the frat. See him.

TRENTON (By K. Murphy)—At our January meeting Bro. Tuma was appointed chairman of the social committee for the new year. Our next affair will be a Valentine Social which Bro. Tuma and his appointed colleagues will arrange for February 4. This social will be held immediately after the monthly meeting. To make the meeting short and allow plenty of time for the social, the meeting time has been advanced to 7:30 p.m. at the usual place, 309 Chestnut Ave. An admission of twenty-five cents will be charged to help defray the expenses.

The intra-mural bowling match between the New Brunswick and Trenton members of No. 124 resulted in three straight for Trenton. A return match at New Brunswick is anticipated in the near future.

Captain Paul Ogradnik now has in his hands the matter of arranging a match with members of the Philadelphia Division No. 30.

READING (by James N. Cutler)—The coldest morning of the year brought a fine bunch of Frat brothers to the meeting of Reading Division, and we wondered what was up—having forgotten that it was the time for all the new officers to be installed for the year 1944, and in addition, to hear the President make the appointments to his Committees.

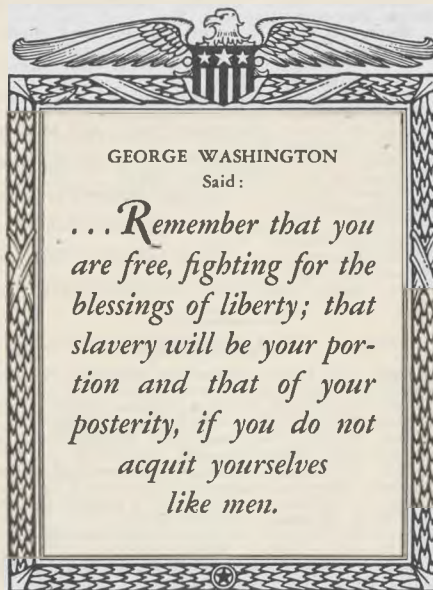
Past President John L. Wise did the installing in his usual brief manner, and the President, in naming the Committees, has planned regular monthly socials to be held in the afternoons, following the division meetings on the second Sunday morning of the month. To make this even better, he has appointed all the officers as part of a social committee, and he, himself, as President starts off the year with a Bingo Social for the afternoon of Sunday, February 13, at two o'clock. This brought much enthusiasm among the members, and we hope to make enough profits thereby this year, that we can get more War Bonds and move up on the list of War Bonds held by the various divisions and Home Office.

The new Vice-President, Clarence Goldberg, will have a Saint Patrick's Day Party on the afternoon of Sunday, March 12. Then all of you know of our big Frat Prolic Saturday night, April 1, 1944, combined with a Monster Smoker Sunday morning at ten o'clock, April 2, and the whole afternoon of that day, a monster social. The April affairs will be under the management of our treasurer, Russell E. Schenck, who is also chairman of the social committee. So decide now to stay two days in "Pretzeltown"—you are sure of meeting your friends from all over Pennsylvania and we'll be looking for Reading Division brothers and friends. **SPECIAL:**—We have NOT changed time of meeting from Sunday morning to a week-day night. The second Sunday of every month is always **FRAT DAY** in Reading, Pa.

War Bonds

THE Grand Division now has \$450,000 and our Subordinate Divisions \$49,275.00 in War Bonds, a total of \$499,275.00. Only \$725.00 more to top \$500,000.00. Come on.

Grand Division.....	\$450,000.00
Baltimore No. 47.....	3,225.00
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Rochester No. 52.....	1,500.00
Akron No. 55.....	1,200.00
St. Paul-Minneapolis No. 61.....	1,200.00
Brooklyn No. 28.....	1,100.00
Columbus No. 18.....	1,000.00
Westchester No. 114.....	1,000.00
Milwaukee No. 17.....	1,000.00
Washington No. 46.....	1,000.00
Reading No. 54.....	900.00
Philadelphia No. 80.....	900.00
Houston No. 81.....	900.00
Dayton No. 8.....	800.00
Delavan No. 30.....	700.00
Syracuse No. 48.....	700.00
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Springfield, Mass., No. 67.....	600.00
Binghamton No. 108.....	600.00
St. Louis No. 24.....	600.00
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Toronto No. 98.....	450.00
Manhattan No. 87.....	400.00
Cincinnati No. 10.....	400.00
Rockford No. 57.....	400.00
Kansas City No. 31.....	400.00
Worcester No. 60.....	400.00
Portland, Ore., No. 41.....	400.00
Wichita No. 75.....	400.00
Albany No. 51.....	350.00
Toledo No. 16.....	300.00
Providence No. 43.....	300.00
New Orleans No. 33.....	300.00
Holyoke No. 26.....	300.00
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San Francisco No. 53.....	300.00
Omaha No. 32.....	300.00
Birmingham No. 73.....	300.00
Dallas No. 63.....	300.00
Detroit No. 2.....	300.00
Johnstown No. 85.....	250.00
Springfield, Ill., No. 58.....	250.00
Spokane No. 76.....	250.00
Bronx No. 92.....	225.00
Peoria No. 90.....	200.00
Davenport No. 59.....	200.00
Ft. Wayne No. 104.....	200.00
Seattle No. 44.....	200.00
Portland, Me., No. 89.....	200.00
Berkeley-Oakland No. 79.....	200.00
Pittsburgh No. 86.....	200.00
Danville No. 125.....	200.00
Trenton No. 124.....	200.00
Portland, Ore., Auxiliary.....	150.00
Duluth No. 99.....	150.00
Hollywood No. 119.....	125.00
Buffalo No. 40.....	100.00
Saginaw No. 3.....	100.00
Newark No. 42.....	100.00
Faribault No. 101.....	100.00
Council Bluffs No. 103.....	100.00
Cedar Rapids No. 49.....	100.00
Bangor No. 71.....	100.00
Fort Worth No. 62.....	100.00
Waterbury No. 65.....	100.00
Kalamazoo No. 84.....	100.00
Sioux Falls No. 74.....	100.00
Queens No. 115.....	100.00
Denver No. 64.....	100.00
Kitchener No. 131.....	100.00
Grand Rapids No. 97.....	100.00
Kansas City Auxiliary.....	100.00
Providence Auxiliary.....	100.00
Hamilton No. 120.....	100.00
Little Rock No. 5.....	100.00
Binghamton Auxiliary.....	100.00
Des Moines No. 77.....	100.00
Indianapolis Auxiliary.....	100.00
Eau Claire No. 111.....	100.00
Louisville No. 4.....	100.00
Nashville No. 12.....	100.00
Lowell No. 78.....	100.00
New Haven No. 25.....	100.00
San Francisco Auxiliary.....	100.00
Vancouver No. 113.....	75.00
Boston No. 85.....	75.00
Jersey City No. 91.....	75.00
Olathe No. 14.....	50.00
Atlanta No. 28.....	50.00
San Diego No. 110.....	50.00
Memphis No. 38.....	50.00
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Golden Wedding

MR. AND MRS. Charles M. McManus, who live with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert D. Engel, 33 Clay Avenue, W. Roselle Park, N. J., celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage on December 11, 1943, with a family reunion in the form of a golden wedding party at the Hotel Winfield Scott, Elizabeth, N. J.

Mr. John D. Shea of New York City and a schoolmate of Mr. McManus, Dr. Leo J. McManus of Newark and Arthur J. McManus of Somerville, brothers of Mr. McManus, and three sisters, Mrs. Edgar J. Allegaert of East Orange, Miss Grace McManus of Belleville and Mrs. Ambrose New of New Brunswick as well as Mr. and Mrs. Engel and daughter were among those participating. Photographs were taken.

A large centerpiece comprising a sculptured scene with a bird house and bird images representing members of the McManus family was on the festive table. Souvenir place cards were of embossed golden paper, each five inches long.

Mrs. McManus was Miss Agnes G. Perry of New York City before their marriage December 8, 1893, in St. Francis Xavier's Church, New York City. She attended the 67th Street School for the Deaf. Her uncle, the late Alexander Stewart was the proprietor of the popular old Stewart's Restaurant on 14th Street, in New York City. Mr. McManus attended St. Joseph's School for the Deaf, Westchester, N. Y.; also the Trenton School for the Deaf at Trenton, N. J., and the School for the Deaf, Hartford, Conn. They have one granddaughter, Jacquelyn. A son, Harold T. McManus, died in the first World War.

Mr. McManus, a member of an old Newark family, was born in Newark 74 years ago, the eldest of fourteen children. His father, the late Terrence McManus was proprietor of a linen shop and later a pet shop at the side of the Hahne & Company Department Store in Broad Street, Newark, N. J. His mother was the former Miss Elizabeth Shanley and his grandfather the late Michael F. Shanley, erected the first Sixth Avenue elevated train line in New York City. Mr. McManus has been a frat for many years and continues reporting for work with E. J. Brooks Company, in Newark, N. J.—*John D. Shea*

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MILWAUKEE NO. 17—Chester Czekalski, Michael Wukadinovich.
CLEVELAND NO. 21—Bernard Marquis, Benjamin Kronick, Robert Kronick, Austin Maculso, Richard Sheets.
BROOKLYN NO. 23—Isidore Farbowitz.
PHILADELPHIA NO. 30—George Dilling, Alvin Seesholtz.
BOSTON NO. 35—Nicholas Cassidy.
PITTSBURGH NO. 36—Thomas Haffie.
MEMPHIS NO. 38—William Irving, Paul Mashburn.
SEATTLE NO. 44—Joseph Hopley.
WASHINGTON NO. 46—James Dolan, Cecil Alms, Mervin Gerritson.
ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS—Harvey Burton.
SPOKANE NO. 76—Walter Wageman.
BERKELEY-OAKLAND—John Eckles, Robert Heron, Lloyd Laybourn, Joe Lima, Emilio Ramponi, Louis Ruggeri, Raymond Silveira.
MANHATTAN NO. 87—Theodore Maynard.
PEORIA NO. 90—Harry Thompson.
JERSEY CITY NO. 91—Louis Libson, Raymond Huppert.
DURHAM NO. 95—Waverly Hood.
TORONTO NO. 98—Herbert Hennessey, Dan McMullin, John Powell, Wilbur Sears, Clinton McCuag, Graham Chapman, Douglas Haines, Charles Golds, Gordon Owen, Guy Hamel, Gordon Ayles, Harold Phillips (Social Member).
CANTON NO. 100—Ralph Baus.
FT. WAYNE NO. 104—Roy Conner, Randall Houchin, Donald Watson.
CHICAGO NO. 106—Clyde McMullan.
EAU CLAIRE NO. 111—Clarence Kurtz.

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

CHICAGO NO. 1—Louis Massinhoff (3), John Tubergen.
FLINT NO. 15—Robert Smith.
TOLEDO NO. 16—Samuel Henry.
MILWAUKEE NO. 17—Warren Riege (2).
CLEVELAND NO. 21—Abe Saslaw (5).
BROOKLYN NO. 23—David Berch.
PHILADELPHIA NO. 30—Hugh Cusack (2).
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PITTSBURGH NO. 36—James Forbes.
MEMPHIS NO. 38—Leland Maxwell, Morris Campbell.
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ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS—Theodore Stawickoski.
SPOKANE NO. 76—Frank Bright.
BERKELEY-OAKLAND—Lester Naftaly (7).
MANHATTAN NO. 87—Leo Ahonen.
PEORIA NO. 90—Eugene Jones.
JERSEY CITY NO. 91—Harry Dixon, Frank Orlando.
DURHAM NO. 95—Asa Ryan.
TORONTO NO. 98—Charles McLaughlin (4). Charles White (3), Ernest Maitre (2), John Shilton, John Morrison.
CANTON NO. 100—John Stevenson.
FT. WAYNE NO. 104—Charles Lawson (2), Fred Rines.
CHICAGO NO. 106—Hugo Matzner.
EAU CLAIRE NO. 111—Lyle Bulmer.

ENGAGEMENTS

Lawrence Glass, Summer Shade, Ky., and Roxie Bowman, Danville, Ky.
Harry Hinkle, Detroit, Mich., and Beda Erickson, Chicago, Ill.
Lee De John, Frankfort, N.Y., and Irene Zacek, Middleville, N.Y.
Edward Van Dusen, Milwaukee, Wis., and Violet Fidler, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
Joseph Simons, Hartford, Conn., and Marcia Gligor, Camden, N. J.
Joseph Augustine, New Haven, Conn., and Barbara Wood, Terryville, Conn.
Robert Bahm and Virginia Bemowitz, both of Rochester, N.Y.
Theodore Kemmet and Evelyn Johnson, both of Rochester, N.Y.
Luc Leveque and Jane Leighton, both of Westbrook, Me.
Joe Sachs and Ethel Weissman, both of New York, N.Y.

MARRIAGES

Oct. 24—Louis Palumbo, Newark, N. J., and Julia Stalla, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Dec. 14—Keith Hagins, Moline, Kans., and Lillian Andrews, Russell Springs, Kans.
Dec. 4—Ben. Williams and Margaret Robertson, both of Indianapolis, Ind.
Dec. 15—Charles Lawson, Marion, Ind., and Dorothy Harvey, Paducah, Ky.
Dec. 25—Charles Conradt, Wichita, Kans., and Eula Worman, Oxford, Kans.
Dec. 28—Angelo Coppola, Syracuse, N. Y., and Lorraine Briel, Buffalo, N.Y.
Jan. 1—Robert Barton, Seattle, Wash., and Alice Hazel, Portland, Ore.

MEMBERSHIP QUOTAS—1944

GIVEN below is the quota of new members each Division is expected to get during 1944. Every Division is urged to complete its quota.

DIVISION	1944 Quota	New Members
Chicago No. 1.....	50	5
Detroit.....	30	1
Saginaw.....	10	
Louisville.....	10	5
Little Rock.....	10	
Dayton.....	10	
Cincinnati.....	20	
Nashville.....	10	
Olathe.....	10	
Flint.....	20	6
Toledo.....	20	2
Milwaukee.....	20	
Columbus.....	30	
Knoxville.....	10	4
Cleveland.....	20	9
Indianapolis.....	30	5
Brooklyn.....	50	1
St. Louis.....	30	
New Haven.....	10	
Holyoke.....	10	
Los Angeles.....	30	
Atlanta.....	10	3
Philadelphia.....	30	2
Kansas City.....	20	4
Omaha.....	10	
New Orleans.....	10	1
Kalamazoo.....	10	
Boston.....	30	4
Pittsburgh.....	20	6
Hartford.....	10	
Memphis.....	10	2
Portland, Me.....	10	2
Buffalo.....	10	1
Portland, Ore.....	10	
Newark.....	10	
Providence.....	10	
Seattle.....	10	5
Utica.....	10	2
Washington.....	20	11
Baltimore.....	20	
Syracuse.....	10	
Cedar Rapids.....	10	
Albany.....	10	1
Rochester.....	10	
San Francisco.....	10	
Reading.....	20	1
Akron.....	30	
Salt Lake City.....	10	2
Rockford.....	10	1
Springfield, Ill.....	10	2
Davenport.....	10	
Worcester.....	10	1
St. Paul-Minneapolis.....	20	3
Fort Worth.....	20	
Dallas.....	20	1
Denver.....	10	
Waterbury.....	10	
Springfield, Mass.....	10	
Bangor.....	10	
Sioux Falls.....	10	1
Wichita.....	10	1
Spokane.....	10	1
Des Moines.....	10	
Lowell.....	10	1
Berkeley-Oakland.....	10	10
Delavan.....	10	
Houston.....	10	
Scranton.....	10	
Richmond.....	10	
Johnstown.....	10	
Manhattan.....	30	1
Jacksonville.....	10	1
Peoria.....	10	1
Jersey City.....	10	3
Bronx.....	10	
Columbia.....	10	
Charlotte.....	10	
Durham.....	10	1
Grand Rapids.....	10	
Toronto.....	20	17
Duluth.....	10	1
Canton.....	10	1
Faribault.....	10	
Council Bluffs.....	10	
Fort Wayne.....	10	4
Schenectady.....	10	
Chicago No. 106.....	10	3
Binghamton.....	10	
Wilkesburg.....	10	1
San Diego.....	10	
Eau Claire.....	10	1
Sulphur.....	10	
Vancouver.....	10	
Westchester.....	10	
Queens.....	10	
Hollywood.....	10	2
Hamilton.....	10	
Kitchener.....	10	
Trenton.....	10	
Danville.....	10	4
Colorado Springs.....	10	

DECEMBER COLLECTIONS

Grand Division	\$ 41.15
Chicago No. 1	349.85
Detroit	253.65
Saginaw	35.30
Louisville	161.64
Little Rock	148.32
Dayton	100.19
Cincinnati	178.10
Nashville	51.24
Olathe	77.73
Flint	153.42
Toledo	113.40
Milwaukee	174.06
Columbus	148.20
Knoxville	55.71
Cleveland	271.94
Indianapolis	187.45
Brooklyn	581.87
St. Louis	311.16
New Haven	70.42
Holyoke	49.71
Los Angeles	365.31
Atlanta	201.51
Philadelphia	403.10
Kansas City	240.71
Omaha	156.66
New Orleans	108.32
Kalamazoo	17.97
Boston	270.34
Pittsburgh	105.88
Hartford	52.05
Memphis	113.38
Portland, Me.	54.53
Buffalo	82.01
Portland, Ore.	167.19
Newark	83.59
Providence	84.64
Seattle	170.74
Utica	183.19
Washington	224.61
Baltimore	111.02
Syracuse	97.78
Cedar Rapids	89.91
Albany	34.81
Rochester	134.98
San Francisco	195.18
Reading	132.74
Akron	318.62
Salt Lake City	102.47
Rockford	77.66
Springfield, Ill.	40.49
Davenport	43.34
Worcester	60.08
St. Paul-Minneapolis	280.29
Fort Worth	60.45
Dallas	263.60
Denver	92.02
Waterbury	41.53
Springfield, Mass.	35.01
Bangor	53.56
Birmingham	163.86
Sioux Falls	129.15
Wichita	78.16
Spokane	128.56
Des Moines	113.71
Lowell	87.95
Berkeley-Oakland	133.22
Delavan	105.16
Houston	245.59
Scranton	34.80
Richmond	100.70
Johnstown	100.60
Manhattan	269.78
Jacksonville	64.13
Peoria	45.20
Jersey City	151.35
Bronx	79.22
Columbia	72.50
Charlotte	135.31
Durham	48.67
Grand Rapids	14.30
Toronto	335.59
Duluth	65.04
Canton	47.39
Faribault	87.17
Council Bluffs	32.45
Fort Wayne	42.71
Schenectady	20.52
Chicago No. 106	69.02
Binghamton	92.76
Wilkinsburg	125.19
San Diego	19.53
Eau Claire	19.42
Sulphur	111.28
Vancouver	48.99
Westchester	65.89
Queens	31.15
Montreal	87.32
Hollywood	110.51
Hamilton	21.38
Kitchener	50.22
Trenton	125.36
Danville	150.06
Colorado Springs	33.27
Total collection	\$12,959.92

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR
DECEMBER, 1943

Balance and Income	
Balance, Nov. 30, 1943	\$2,724,709.43
Division collections	12,959.92
Interest and dividends	8,553.50
Rents	4,973.00
Refund allowance, Home Office	2,400.00
Amortization of bonds and stocks	455.78
Refund, disability benefit after 70	50.00
Escrow deposits	2,434.18
Mortgage fees	245.00
Income tax withheld	172.86
Property insurance premiums	87.20
Refund, real estate operating exp.	323.20
Refund, taxes on real estate	203.17
Social security tax withheld	13.21
Lodge supplies	61.60
Recording fees	27.00
Advertising in The Frat	6.00
Subscriptions to The Frat	1.60
Refund, office expenses	3.00
Refund, officers' expenses	12.22
Surety bond premiums	5.63
Total balance and income	\$2,757,697.50

Disbursements	
Death benefits	\$ 3,645.00
Sick benefits	2,435.00
Accident benefits	990.00
Old-age income payments	93.73
Class F monthly income payment	12.50
Escrow withdrawal	251.26
Convention expenses	500.00
Depreciation, Home Office equip.	540.01
Amortization of bonds and stocks	52,332.87
Amortization of real estate	35,401.40
Bond expenses	150.00
Clerical services	360.00
Insurance Department fees	2.45
Employees' income tax	170.16
Mortgage expenses	1.00
Office expenses	68.38
Officers' and Trustees' salaries	929.19
Official publication	310.10
Organizing expenses	1,480.00
Postage	64.14
Printing and stationery	22.54
Property insurance premiums	35.00
Real estate operating expenses	5,136.17
Refund allowance, Home Office	2,400.00
Taxes on real estate	1,561.17
Total disbursements	\$108,892.07

Recapitulation	
Balance and income	\$2,757,697.50
Disbursements	108,892.07
Balance, Dec. 31, 1943	\$2,648,805.43

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, Dec. 31, 1943	
First mortgage loans	\$ 934,806.22
Bonds and stocks	756,401.14
Real estate	687,829.57
Bank deposits	259,839.68
Cash in society's office	5,068.70
Home Office equipment	4,860.12
Total ledger assets	\$2,648,805.43
Balances in Funds	
Mortuary funds	\$2,349,764.11
Sick and accident fund	154,167.06
Accumulated interest	67,063.98
General expense fund	54,558.07
Convention fund	18,206.86
Indemnity fund	5,045.35
Total in all funds	\$2,648,805.43

DECEMBER DEATH CLAIMS

Herman Hanneman, Brooklyn	\$ 500.00
Thomas Crowley, Canton	250.00
William M. Meade, Cleveland	1,000.00
Myles S. McGeever, Lowell	1,000.00
*William I. Zeh, Detroit	577.00
*Steve Powers, St. Louis	318.00
Total for the month	\$3,645.00

*Denotes paid-up benefits.

DECEMBER DISABILITY CLAIMS

A. R. Chapman, Houston	\$ 150.00
James McGuire, Waterbury	20.00
J. S. Hoover, Toledo	105.00
Louis Seimensohn, Akron	90.00
Gus White, Jr., Houston	90.00
*W. E. Kesterson, Council Bluffs	100.00
W. R. Segers, Birmingham	150.00
Joseph Abarbanell, Chicago No. 1	45.00
F. W. Scribner, Boston	30.00
David Ryan, Boston	15.00
L. A. Early, St. Louis	60.00
A. R. Merklein, St. Louis	40.00
Joseph Rosenberg, Manhattan	30.00
M. G. Miller, Manhattan	150.00

M. J. Ashline, Utica	45.00
A. H. Staubitz, Cincinnati	50.00
W. M. Meade, Cleveland	50.00
J. M. Henderson, Houston	30.00
F. B. Pleasant, Delavan	50.00
*J. E. Butler, New Haven	50.00
*L. A. Berman, Baltimore	30.00
*J. C. Germain, Kalamazoo	45.00
*Herman von Hippel, St. Paul	10.00
*Herman Boretsky, Brooklyn	60.00
*F. C. Gilardo, Cleveland	100.00
*G. J. Rizzo, Philadelphia	40.00
S. A. Burns, Akron	105.00
H. W. Yates, Davenport	30.00
Joseph Barry, Montreal	50.00
P. S. Hadden, Little Rock	45.00
M. M. Zenor, Los Angeles	45.00
Hyman Badofsky, Chicago No. 1	90.00
R. W. Bowman, Jacksonville	150.00
S. S. Cuzas, Chicago No. 1	90.00
J. W. Floyd, Minneapolis	150.00
P. J. Harris, Holyoke	60.00
David Bagdonoff, Brooklyn	30.00
Morris Druan, Brooklyn	20.00
E. G. Briel, Jr., Buffalo	30.00
R. L. Dann, Akron	150.00
H. S. Cahen, Cleveland	75.00
R. W. Odell, Portland, Ore.	10.00
E. W. Casebalt, Memphis	60.00
O. D. Williams, Memphis	30.00
J. M. Lowell, Seattle	15.00
*A. H. Kobertstein, Los Angeles	30.00
*H. C. Harris, Berkeley-Oakland	135.00
*E. A. Ornborg, Los Angeles	90.00
*John Tartaglione, Brooklyn	150.00
*Adolph Kammit, Queens	50.00
*C. R. Cline, Toledo	50.00
*L. J. Charlesworth, Reading	50.00
Total for the month	\$3,425.00

*Denotes accident claims.

OBITUARY

GEORGE HANSZ, 75. Entry June 1, 1902. Died Dec. 31, 1943. Certificate No. 35-C. Detroit Div. No. 2.

ALBERT C. MERCER, 63. Entry July 1, 1908. Died Dec. 19, 1943. Certificate No. 454-D. Indianapolis Div. No. 22.

PHILIP A. COSSETTE, 51. Entry April 1, 1913. Died Dec. 13, 1943. Certificate No. 1656-C. Waterbury Div. No. 65.

HENRY H. NEIL, 55. Entry April 1, 1915. Died Jan. 7, 1944. Certificate No. 2310-D. San Francisco Div. No. 53.

JAMES D. O'BRIEN, 47. Entry Sept. 1, 1917. Died Dec. 24, 1943. Certificate No. 3398-D. Chicago Div. No. 106.

CHARLES W. BELCKE, 75. Entry March 1, 1920. Died Dec. 21, 1943. Certificate No. 4977-C. Peoria Div. No. 90.

EMMET R. BERCKHEMER, 50. Entry May 1, 1925. Died Dec. 13, 1943. Certificate No. 732-D. Canton Div. No. 100.

RAYMOND J. BERTRAND, 50. Entry March 1, 1922. Died Oct. 22, 1943. Certificate No. 6075-E.

ISIE ZENK, 42. Entry Jan. 2, 1924. Died Dec. 24, 1943. Certificate No. 6835-D. Los Angeles Div. No. 27.

BENNIE ROMSEY, 38. Entry May 1, 1926. Died Jan. 3, 1944. Certificate No. 7779-D. Springfield Div. No. 67.

DANIEL P. KELLY, 51. Entry March 1, 1926. Died Dec. 16, 1943. Certificate No. 7696-D. Chicago Div. No. 106.

RICHARD I. BRUARD, 25. Entry Nov. 2, 1942. Died Dec. 22, 1943. Certificate No. 12742-D. Delavan Div. No. 80.

WILLIAM L. SAWHILL, 78. Entry May 5, 1929. Died Dec. 19, 1943. Social member of Wilkinsburg Div. No. 109.

BIRTHS

June 9—Mr. and Mrs. James Prout, Auburn, Ky., a boy.

Aug. 10—Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Turner, Los Angeles, Cal., a boy.

Nov. 7—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cope, Los Angeles, Cal., a girl.

Nov. 22—Mr. and Mrs. Felix Kowalewski, Flint, Mich., a boy.

Dec. 16—Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Martin, Baton Rouge, La., a boy.

Dec. 17—Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Blonsky, Kansas City, Mo., a boy.

Dec. 26—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Palazzo, Delcour, La., a boy.

Jan. 1—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamel, West New York, N. J., a girl.

Jan. 7—Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Novak, Cleveland, O., a boy.

Jan. 8—Mr. and Mrs. Estell Bowles, Louisville, Ky., a girl.

Jan. 8—Mr. and Mrs. George Freedman, Dorchester, Mass., a boy.

DEATHS

Nov. 24—Wife of Carl D. Riley, East Lansing, Mich.

Dec. 3—Mary, wife of Thomas Haydel, New Orleans, La.

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf

GRAND DIVISION OFFICERS: President, Arthur L. Roberts, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; 1st Vice Pres. Frederick J. Neesam, 130 S. Third St., Delavan, Wis.; 2nd Vice Pres., David Peikoff, 923 Avenue Road, Toronto, Can.; 3rd Vice Pres., Sam B. Rittenberg, 1525-36th Place, North, Birmingham, Ala.; 4th Vice Pres., Foster D. Gilbert, 3111 Ivy St., Los Angeles, Calif.; Secretary-Treasurer, Charles B. Kemp, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; Asst. Secretary-Treasurer, L. S. Cherry, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; Trustees: George F. Flick, Harrison M. Leiter, Washington Barrow, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.

THE NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF is a fraternal life insurance association of deaf men. It is organized on the lodge system and has branch lodges, called Divisions, in over a hundred principal cities of the United States and Canada.

Objects

The society's objects are: To pay death benefits to the families of members who die; to pay benefits to members who fall sick or meet accidental injury; to unite all deaf men of good health, habits and character in a brotherhood of friendliness and good fellowship for the purpose of helping one another and making life better and happier for all of its members and the deaf as a class.

Death, Sick and Accident Benefits

The society guarantees to pay the beneficiary of a deceased member the amount for which his certificate is written, subject to the requirements and restrictions set forth in the society's laws.

To a member disabled by sickness or accident for two full weeks or longer the society will pay a benefit ranging from \$5.00 to \$25.00 per week, depending on the amount of weekly benefit chosen by the member and for which he has paid the required tax. No benefit, however, is paid for disability of less than 14 days' duration; nor can any member draw more than 10 weeks' disability benefit within any twelve consecutive months; and no member can draw sick and accident benefit for any part of the first three months after joining.

Safeguards

The society is chartered under the laws of the state of Illinois and is licensed by the insurance departments of thirty-seven other states in which it operates, and by the Dominion of Canada. An annual report of the society's business for the year and financial condition is made to all of these state insurance departments. From time to time the insurance department of the society's home state of Illinois makes an examination and verifies the returns made in the annual report.

A voucher system is in use at the home office and every expenditure must have the approval of the Grand President. The Grand Treasurer and treasurers of all the Divisions are bonded. The Board of Trustees makes a monthly audit of the Grand Treasurer's books.

Cost of Joining

The entrance fee is \$3.00 and is always to be paid with the application. In case of rejection the \$3.00 will be refunded. The applicant has also to pay the doctor's fee for the required medical examination—usually \$2.00.

How to Join

Write to the nearest secretary and ask for an application blank and any further information you desire.

If you live in a city where there is a Division, see any member or officer of that Division.

If you live very far from any city which has a Division, or in a state in which no Division has yet been organized, write to the Grand Secretary for application blank or information.

If you do not live in or near a Division city you will be attached to some Division as a non-resident member.

In writing for blank or information be sure and give full name, age, occupation and address.

SICKNESS AND ACCIDENT BENEFITS AND RATES

Minimum Weekly Benefit \$5.00; Maximum Weekly Benefits: \$25.00 at Entry Ages 18-40; \$20.00 at Entry Ages 41-45; \$15.00 at Entry Ages 46-50; \$10.00 at Entry Ages 51-55. Minimum Disability Period 2 Weeks; Maximum Disability Period 10 Weeks in any 12 Consecutive Months.

Entry Age	WEEKLY BENEFITS AND RATES PER MONTH				
	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$25.00
18-40	\$.30	\$.60	\$.90	\$ 1.20	\$ 1.50
41-45	.35	.70	1.05	1.40	
46-50	.40	.80	1.20		
51-55	.45	.90			

MONTHLY NET RATES FOR DEATH BENEFITS

Minimum \$250; Maximum \$5000 to Age 45, \$3000 to Age 50, \$1000 to Age 55

Rates per \$1000 of Death Benefit Certificate

Entry Age	CLASS G Whole Life	CLASS H 20-Pay Life	CLASS I Income at 65
18	\$1.25	\$2.09	\$1.65
19	1.27	2.12	1.69
20	1.30	2.15	1.74
21	1.33	2.18	1.79
22	1.36	2.21	1.85
23	1.39	2.25	1.91
24	1.42	2.29	1.97
25	1.46	2.32	2.03
26	1.50	2.36	2.10
27	1.53	2.40	2.18
28	1.57	2.44	2.26
29	1.62	2.49	2.34
30	1.66	2.53	2.43
31	1.71	2.58	2.52
32	1.76	2.63	2.62
33	1.81	2.68	2.73
34	1.86	2.73	2.85
35	1.92	2.78	2.97
36	1.98	2.84	3.11
37	2.05	2.90	3.25
38	2.12	2.96	3.41
39	2.19	3.02	3.60
40	2.26	3.09	3.78
41	2.35	3.16	3.97
42	2.43	3.24	4.18
43	2.52	3.32	4.41
44	2.62	3.40	4.67
45	2.73	3.49	4.95
46	2.84	3.58	5.26
47	2.96	3.68	5.61
48	3.08	3.79	6.01
49	3.21	3.90	6.45
50	3.36	4.02	6.95
51	3.51	4.14	7.52
52	3.67	4.28	8.18
53	3.84	4.42	8.95
54	4.03	4.57	9.86
55	4.22	4.74	10.95

Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken.